# LDMS TROJAN TIMES

# FEBRUARY 2021

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I am very excited to be welcoming students back to our building for the second semester. While I am very proud of our students' success with virtual learning, it will be wonderful to have everyone back in the school building. This newsletter contains important reminders for our return to in-person learning. Please know that if you have opted to continue learning virtually, we will continue to support you to the best of our ability. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or if I can help you in any way!

Go Trojans!

# Atal W. Kauce

#### **HEALTH SCREENING**

Please go through the following checklist with your child each morning before you send your child to school.

#### Has your child experienced:

- A new fever (100.4 or higher) or a sense of having a fever?
- A new cough that cannot be attributed to another health condition?
- New shortness of breath that cannot be attributed to another health condition?
- New chills that cannot be attributed to another health condition?
- A new sore throat that cannot be attributed to another health condition?
- New muscle aches (myalgia) that cannot be attributed to another health condition or specific activity (such as physical exercise)?
- Congestion or runny nose?
- Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea?
- Loss of taste or smell?

If you answer YES to any of these questions, please keep your child home and contact the school nurse as soon as possible.

#### MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING

Cloth face masks will be required throughout the day at LDMS and must be worn to cover both the mouth and nose. Extra masks are available in the office should a student need one. I ask that students be conscious of their distance from other students and maintain a 6-foot distance.

#### **LUNCH**

Students will eat lunch in their pods to minimize the mixing of student groups. Obviously, students will have to remove their masks to eat. When masks are off, students are required to refrain from talking to reduce the spread of respiratory droplets. Students may talk during the lunch period once they have finished eating and donned their masks.

#### ARRIVAL

Students may arrive each day starting at 8:15. Students are asked to maintain a 6-foot distance from others when entering the building. Classes will start each day at 8:30.

#### **MEAL SERVICES**

LCS is pleased to continue offering free meals to all children under the age of 18 though the end of the school year. If your child is a virtual learner, please sign up using the LCS Meals Order Form after 3PM on Fridays through Monday at 8:30AM. Preordered meals are available for pic up at LDMS and HWES each day from 11:45-12:15.



In-person learners can automatically receive a grab-and-go breakfast and lunch at school. Parents do not need to fill out the form. Your child will report to his/her 1st period teacher if a lunch is wanted that day.

# **PICTURE DAY**

LDMS will have school picture day on March  $16^{th}$ . More information will be provided as we get closer to this date.

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

1 February: Beginning of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 1 February: Return to in-person learning 8 February: Report Cards sent home 1 March: Interim Reports sent home 16 March: School Picture Day

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